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REMARKS

This paper is responsive to non-final Office Action dated July 30, 2003. Claims 3-36 were examined. Claims 3-36 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as based on a disclosure that is not enabling. The drawings are objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a).

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 3-36 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as based on a disclosure which is not enabling. Claims 3-6, 9-11, 15-18, 21, 23, 24, 26-29, 31-33, and 36 have been amended to claim the present invention consistent with the specification and the drawings. In addition, claims 10, 11, and 28 have been amended to correct typographical errors. Claim 18 has been amended to depend from claim 16. Claim 27 has been amended to depend from claim 26. Claim 35 has been cancelled. Amended claims 3, 9, 16, 28, 29, 31, 33, and 36 find support at least in Figure 5 and related portions of the specification. Amended claims 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 27, and 32 find support at least in Figure 6 and related portions of the specification. Amended claims 5, 6, 15, 21, 23, 24, and 26 find support at least in Figure 3 and related portions of the specification. Claims 12-14 have been amended to correct typographical errors. No new matter is added.

Objections Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a)

In light of the Amendments made to the claims, Applicants respectfully maintain that the drawings comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a). Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

In summary, claims 3-34, and 36 are in the case. All claims are believed to be allowable over the art of record, and a Notice of Allowance to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Nonetheless, if any issues remain that could be more efficiently handled by telephone, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at the number listed below.

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